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## State Awards Three New Schools

(PHOENIX, AZ – March 10, 2008) The Arizona School Facilities Board (SFB) approved two new schools for the Maricopa Unified District and one new school for the Toltec Elementary District at the monthly board meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2008.

The schools were awarded as part of the FY08 Capital Plan Cycle, which will continue for the next few months. The cycle begins in early September when districts submit their requests for new construction. From that time, SFB staff analyzes the requests taking into account factors such as current district capacity and projected growth.

The Maricopa Unified District received a 6-8 school for 1,088 students, and a 9-12 school for 2,394 students; both are expected to open in Fall 2011. The Toltec Elementary District received a K-8 school for 857 students, which is also expected to open in Fall 2011. These awards total \$58,357,788. A list of projects approved in this cycle is attached.

Approvals such as this allow the districts to design their schools within the allocated budgets. Upon completion of design, the projects will go before the Board again for approval to begin actual construction. More awards may be made at the next board meeting to be held in the Prescott Unified District on April 3, 2008.

## SFB Approved New Construction Projects FY 2008 Capital Plan Cycle

Approval Date	District	Project	Grades	Student Capacity	Square Footage	Open FY	NC Funding
12/6/2007	Gila County Regional	School	7-12	90	10,000	2011	\$1,563,600
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	Subtotal:			153	17,000		\$2,658,120
1/10/08	Sunnyside Unified	School	9-12	1,182	111,125	2011	\$18,203,386
1/10/08	Vail Unified	School	6-8	785	62,836	2011	\$8,732,947
	Subtotal:			1,967	173,961		\$26,936,333
2/7/08	Laveen Elementary	School	K-8	1,000	92,400	2011	\$12,545,148
	Subtotal:			1,000	92,400		\$12,545,148
3/6/08	Maricopa Unified	School	6-8	1,088	87,003	2011	\$12,091,677
3/6/08	Maricopa Unified	School	9-12	2,394	225,000	2011	\$36,857,250
3/6/08	Toltec Elementary	School	K-8	857	69,300	2011	\$9,408,861
	Subtotal:			4,339	381,303		\$58,357,788
	Total:			7,459	664,664		\$100,497,389